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Resignation Letter

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To: jshorts@colchesterct.org

Good morning,

With a heavy heart, I am resigning from the special education para position at Colchester Elementary School. I have worked in education as a tenured certified teacher, substitute teacher, and in a school support staff capacity for over a decade. None of these roles prepared me for the difficulties and challenges of working in special education. If I could make one recommendation to the board, your special ed staff should be showered with confetti, flowers, and chocolates on their way out of the building each day. If I could make one other recommendation, you should train your new special education paras before having them jump directly into the deep end on their first day.

My last day as a special education para will be Friday, November 3rd. Judy has assured me that my position is in good hands, with a current substitute willing to step up to the high demands of this position. If my replacement falls through, I would like to continue in my post until another replacement can be found or until two weeks from now, on November 15th.

I would love to continue serving our community and school system through a means in which I have more expertise by joining your elite substitute team. My experience spans all grades and subject areas, and thus, I would love to be entered into the Frontline system for all grade levels pre-k-12. I look forward to continuing my work with the district in this new direction. Please feel free to contact me for an exit interview. I would be very willing to provide further feedback to ensure continued success.

Best regards,
Melanie Lalumiere